

**FOURTH CIRCUIT ORAL ARGUMENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

This **Oral Argument Acknowledgment** form is to be completed and filed by arguing counsel within 7 days of the Oral Argument Notification. In criminal cases, counsel appearing for a defendant but not arguing must also file this form.

Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Oral Argument: \_\_\_\_\_

Caption: \_\_\_\_\_

Attorney Arguing: \_\_\_\_\_

Arguing on Behalf of (party name): \_\_\_\_\_

Select party type:

Appellant  Appellee  Appellant/Cross-Appellee  Appellee/Cross-Appellant  Amicus  Intervenor

Attorney Appearing for Defendant but **Not Arguing** in Consolidated Criminal Case: \_\_\_\_\_

**Argument Time:** Please indicate how much argument time you wish to use. You may thereafter change your requested time or change counsel arguing by filing a new **Oral argument acknowledgment** form and selecting "Amended" within the entry. Counsel arguing the case must be admitted to the Fourth Circuit, file an appearance of counsel form, and file this acknowledgment form.

- 20 minutes of argument time are allotted per side; all parties to a side must share oral argument time
- 15 rather than 20 minutes are allotted in social security, black lung & labor cases in which primary issue is whether substantial evidence supports agency decision, and in criminal cases in which primary issue is application of sentencing guidelines; 30 minutes are allotted in en banc cases
- Appellants and cross-appellants may reserve up to 1/3 of their time for rebuttal (7 out of 20 minutes)

First Attorney Arguing Per Side:

Phone Number (day of argument): \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Argument Time:

(for appellants and appellees)

Rebuttal Argument Time (if any):

(appellants and cross-appellants only)

Any Second Attorney Sharing Arguing Time:

Phone Number (day of argument): \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Argument Time:

(for appellants and appellees)

Rebuttal Argument Time (if any):

(appellants and cross-appellants only)

Any Counsel for Amicus Participating in Argument by Leave of Court:

Phone Number (day of argument): \_\_\_\_\_

Argument Time:

Select one of the following:

Order allowing argument time  
Court-Appointed Amicus

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_